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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the Utility patent application of:

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KUSUKAWA

FOR:

A MAGNETIC HEAD AND A MAGNETIC DISK DRIVE

Enclosed are:

☑ 16 sheets of ☐ formal ☐ informal drawings.

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